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## Jews Against Zionism



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### No ideology as destructive as Zionism can endure.

#### No regional peace and reconciliation is possible until it's repudiated.

They're numerous, outspoken, and range from secular to orthodox to one group calling itself "True Torah Jews Against Zionism."

They believe that "traditional" Jews don't support Zionism, an ideology they call "contrary to Jewish law and beliefs and the teachings of the Holy Torah." They say Zionism:

- advocates "a political and military end to the Jewish exile;"
- fosters "pseudo-Judaism" based on secular nationalism;
- coercively seeks "armed materialism" in place of "a Divine and Torah centered understanding;"
- endangers all Jews worldwide;
- wants to disassociate Jews and traditional Judaism from ideological Zionism; and
- calls Israel a "Zionist State," not a Jewish one.

They:

- cite their concern for "peace and safety of all people throughout the world including those living in the Zionist state" and in Occupied Palestine;
- say from ancient times until 100 years ago, Jews and Arabs lived in peace and friendship until Zionism changed the relationship;
- believe Zionists abandoned the Torah and traditional Judaism, demanded political sovereignty over the Holy Land, and aroused anger in the Arab world; and
- Torah Jewry doesn't recognize or support a Zionist state; nor do they represent world Jews; even the name "Israel" is a "forgery," they believe, because the Torah forbids violence in the words of the prophet Isaiah who said:

"And they will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. No nation will lift its sword against any other, nor will they learn warfare anymore."

Torah Jewry says that believing Zionism protects Jews is "probably the greatest hoax ever perpetrated on the Jewish

People" and accuses Zionists of fostering global anti-Semitism. "Indeed, hatred of Jews and Jewish suffering is the oxygen of the Zionist movement, and from the very beginning has been (used) to deliberately incite hatred to justify the existence of the Zionist state - this is, of course, Machiavellianism raised to the highest order."

Zionist founder Theodor Herzl (1860 - 1904) said: "It is essential that the suffering of Jews....becomes worse....this will assist in (the) realization of our plans....I have an excellent idea....I shall induce anti-semites to liquidate Jewish wealth....The anti-semites will assist us thereby in that they will strengthen the persecution and oppression of Jews. The anti-semites shall be our best friends."

In 1920, other Zionists voiced similar ideas, including Nahum Goldmann, later president of the World Zionist Organization and World Jewish Congress head. Israel's first president, Chaim Weizman, said Germany had too many Jews. In 1921, Jacob Klatzkin called for German Jews to undermine Jewish communities as a way to acquire a future state.

In 1963, Moshe Sharett (Israel's second prime minister from 1953 - 1955) told the 38th Scandinavian Youth Federation Annual Congress that Jewish freedom imperiled Zionism. Delegates at the 26th World Zionist Congress were told that easing US anti-Semitism and freedom endangered Jews.

Torah Jewry disagrees in affirming its desire to live in peace with their Arab and Palestinian neighbors and abide by sacred commandments "with a perfect heart and to delight in the radiance of the sanctity of the Land."

They believe: "Zionists have no right of any sovereignty over even one inch of the Holy Land. They do not represent the Jewish people in any way whatsoever. They have no right to speak in the name of the Jewish people." Their ideology is "antithetical to Jewish law," and because they don't behave like Jews, "they desecrate the sanctity of the land." They feel that when Israel is recognized as a Zionist, not a Jewish, state, "Jews

worldwide will be able to live in peace" and do it alongside Arabs in the Middle East.

#### "The Hidden History of Zionism"

In his 1988 book, Ralph Schoenman explained four Zionist myths:

- the notion of "A land without people for a people without a land" to promote the fiction that an empty Palestine was there for the taking by its rightful original inhabitants;
- Israeli democracy, the only "real" one in the Middle East; in fact, Israel is democratic like South Africa was apartheid and much worse; "Civil liberty, due process and the most basic human rights" apply only for Jews;
- "security (is) the motor force of Israeli foreign policy" because it's surrounded by hostile Arab states; and
- "Zionism (is) the moral legatee of the victims of the Holocaust....the most pervasive and insidious of the" Zionist myths; in fact, Zionists, like future prime minister Yitzhak Shamir, openly colluded with the Nazis for their own purposes - to use persecution as justification for a future Zionist state and more.

It wasn't just to colonize Palestine. It was also to exploit indigenous people as cheap labor, dispossess and disperse them, replace them with arriving Jews, legitimize ethnic cleansing, and remove Palestinians from their land and history. Historical records were falsified. "Palestinians were re-invented as a semi-savage, nomadic remnant." Mass elimination methods were justified for a "people too many."

In 1923, hard line revisionist leader Ze'ev Jabotinsky argued that Arab nationalists opposed a Jewish state and wouldn't accept one. Thus peaceful coexistence was unattainable, and Jews had to build "an iron wall of (superior) Jewish military force." The idea was to discourage Arab hopes of destroying Israel followed by a negotiated settlement giving Israel the upper hand to dictate terms.

Terror was to be used the way Joseph Weitz, head of the Jewish Agency's Colonization Department, wrote in 1940:

"Between ourselves, it must be clear that there is no room for both peoples together in this country. We shall not achieve our goal if the Arabs are in this small country. There is no other way than to (get rid of) all of them. Not one village, not one tribe should be left."

The secret Koenig Report, later published in 1976, said:

"We must use terror, assassination, intimidation, land confiscation and the cutting of all social services to rid the Galilee of its Arab population."

Chairman Heilbrun of the Committee for the Re-Election of Tel Aviv mayor Shlomo Lahat (1974 - 1993) stated:

"We have to kill all the Palestinians unless they are resigned to live here as slaves."

Former IDF Chief of Staff Raphael Eitan (1978 - 1983) said:

"We declare openly that the Arabs have no right to settle on even one centimeter of Eretz Israel....Force is all they do or ever will understand. We shall use the ultimate force until the Palestinians come crawling to us on all fours."

Other Israeli leaders voiced similar extremism, including David Ben Gurion, Israel's first prime minister, saying in 1937 that "We must expel the Arabs and take their place and if we have to use force, to guarantee our own right to settle in those places - then we have force at our disposal."

At inception, Zionists like Herzl were pragmatic, yet devious, in believing imperial power backing was needed to establish a Jewish state. It could have been anywhere, but Palestine was chosen for its symbolic significance as the ancient Jewish

homeland. Colonization began after the first Zionist Congress in Basle, Switzerland in 1897. Herzl later wrote:

"At Basle, I founded the Jewish state....If not in five years, then certainly in fifty everyone will realize it." It took 51 by dispossessing indigenous Palestinians and replacing them with Jews. Ever since, Zionism's most effective legitimacy claim is the notion of preventing another "Holocaust." It's justified the most outrageous crimes, characterized as "self-defense" by a tiny Jewish minority surrounded by hordes of hostile Arabs. It seized Palestinian land, Judaized it, created a new nation for Jews alone - undemocratic, imperial, militant, violent, exploitative, oppressive, racist, and hostile to core Judaic dogma.

It's why growing thousands of Jews globally oppose an ideology based on power, conquest, dispossession, and violation of the most fundamental Jewish ethical and moral teachings, ones Zionists disdain.

#### Not In My Name

It calls itself a "predominantly Jewish organization deeply committed to a peaceful and just resolution of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, a resolution that will provide safety, security and freedom for Jews, Palestinians, and all others living in this region." It opposes:

- the illegal West Bank and Gaza occupations;
- the West Bank and East Jerusalem settlements;
- Israel's Separation Wall;
- the collective punishment of millions of Occupied Palestinians and Israeli Arabs; and
- Israeli human rights abuses, home demolitions, land seizures, arbitrary arrests, torture, travel and movement restrictions, and closure and encirclements of villages and communities.

It champions Palestinian self-determination, the right of return, and "full equality, civil rights and economic justice for all." It's for a shared Jerusalem and nuclear-free Middle East. It wants an end to violence and injustice and the equitable sharing of vital resources, including water, oil, gas, electric power, and all other essentials to life and well-being. It wants all US aid stopped until Israel ends its occupation and acts like a civilized state.

It deplores Zionism and what it represents. Its activists have chapters around the world. They organize protests and demonstrations, hold vigils and religious ceremonies, communicate with the media, foster dialogue between Jews and Palestinians, sponsor teach-ins, educational forums and study groups.

They believe that moral human beings are obligated "to speak out and take action." They refuse to remain silent or accept Israeli crimes passively. They're one among other like-minded organizations that say "Not In My Name." Not now or ever.

#### Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP)

JVP is "a diverse and democratic community of activists inspired by Jewish tradition to work together for peace, social justice, and human rights." They support the aspirations of Israelis and Palestinians for security and self-determination. Their agenda mirrors Not In My Name and states that "We are among the many American Jews who say to the US and Israeli governments: "Not in our names!"

They call on America and the international community to end wars and violence and support Palestinian self-determination free from occupation and oppression. They headline: "Israelis and Palestinians. Two Peoples, One Future," free from Zionist oppression.

#### Brit Tzedek V'Shalom

It's a Jewish Alliance for Justice & Peace calling itself "America's largest grassroots Jewish organization dedicated to promoting a negotiated two-state resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian

conflict." With around 50,000 supporters, including over 1,000 rabbis, they educate and organize the US Jewish community for a US foreign policy supportive of Israelis and Palestinians alike. It conducts campaigns, holds conferences, sponsors tours, and engages in various other activist efforts.

Its founding principles include:

- evacuating Israeli settlements;
- non-violent solutions in place of state terrorism and "state-initiated violence;"
- "a complete end to the Israeli military occupation," including over East Jerusalem;
- a viable Palestinian state based on pre-1967 borders;
- Jerusalem as the capital of both states, free and open to all Muslims, Jews, Christians and others;
- "a just resolution of the Palestinian refugee problem;" and
- "the recognition that (US) Jews....have a special responsibility to urge (their) government to pursue policies consistent with the requirements of a just peace for Israel and the Palestinian people."

#### **Tikkun**

It publishes articles on social theory, religion and spirituality, social change, contemporary American and global politics and economics, Israel/Palestine, and other topics. It features issues that "both advance the pursuit of tikkun olam - social justice and the repair of the world - and break down issues of contemporary concern in completely new and thoughtful ways." It supports progressive spirituality and challenges established orthodoxies in all spheres of thought and politics. It's "dedicated to healing and transforming (a troubled) world."

Its editor is Rabbi Michael Lerner, author of "The Left Hand of God: Taking Our Country Back from the Religious Right," and "Jewish Renewal: A Path to Healing and Transformation." On May 8, 2008 on the HuffingtonPost.com, writing "On Zionism, Healing, and Israel's 60th Anniversary," he noted how Palestinians were dispossessed of their homes and villages by Jews "determined to be as ruthless towards others as others had been towards" them. "Yet, there are alternatives" not taken so conflict ever since has persisted.

As for Zionism, he described what emerged as "fundamentally incompatible with the highest values of the Jewish tradition, and must be rejected even as we develop a compassionate attitude toward the Jewish people of Israel." To preserve Judaism, Lerner quotes the following Torah injunction:

"When you come into your land, do not oppress the stranger: remember that you were strangers in the land of Egypt. A Jewish state that has been unwilling or unable to live by that command has no religious foundation and can generate no lasting support from those committed to God and Torah."

Doing it right requires abandoning "a naive utopian fantasy" and building a society based on "open-heartedness, compassion and caring for others...." Abandoning Zionist extremism for traditional Jewish moral values is essential.

#### **Satmar**

They're "Jews Not Zionists" and quote Rabbi Yoel Teitelbaum in 1958 speaking out against Zionist heresy:

"....if we place all the immodesty and promiscuity of the generation and the many sins of the world on one side of the scale, and the Zionist state on the other side of the scale by itself, it would outweigh them all. Zionism is the greatest form of spiritual impurity in the entire world. (It's) polluting the entire world. (It's) polluted the Jewish people with (its) heresy....Everything our blessed rabbis cried out about earlier in the century about the dangers of Zionism (have) been forgotten....It is impossible to describe to what extent the world

has become sunken in such a falsehood which is destroying the entire Torah."

Jews Not Zionists believe that Zionism is heresy, and "the existence of the so-called 'State of Israel' is illegitimate." Zionism violated Torah doctrine, the very essence of Judaism. It believes that human life is sacred and human rights aren't to be denied by those who would sacrifice them for national security or any other reason.

"Judaism and Zionism are by no means the same. Indeed they are incompatible and irreconcilable." Good Jews can't be Zionists, and Zionists can't be good Jews. According to Jewish tradition, seven universal Noacide morality laws apply to everyone. Also the Ten Commandments for all monotheistic religions, and another 613 obligatory laws for traditional Jews. They eschew violence, military power, and brute force. They're about morality and spiritual purity. Zionists made belief in the Torah and fulfillment of religious obligations a private matter, not a common obligation for all Jews. They made Judaic dogma subject to party or parliamentary votes and set their own ethical and moral standards, suiting them alone.

Many times in Jewish history, an extremist minority misled the majority. Worshiping the golden calf happened earlier. Today it's political Zionism. Before its emergence, piety, decency, learning, and belief in justice and mercy characterized most Jewish leaders. Now they're the minority. It's why they believe a good Jew can't be a Zionist, and a Zionist can't be a good Jew and aren't the legitimate spokespersons for anyone but themselves. From a religious point of view, they're heretics.

#### **Jews Against Racist Zionism**

They include distinguished figures who speak out for "anti-racist Jews and indeed all anti-racist humanitarians." They decry "anti-Arab anti-Semitic racist Zionists running Apartheid Israel and their Western backers." They're appalled by the continuing Palestinian, Iraqi, and Afghan genocides that have killed and dispossessed millions. They see Zionism as a threat to all Jews and humanity unless something is done to stop it.

#### **Neturei Karta International (NKI)**

NKI is an Aramaic term for "Guardians of the City," given to a group of Orthodox Jews in Jerusalem who "opposed the establishment of and retain all opposition to the existence of the so-called 'State of Israel!'" They demonstrate publicly and state their belief in the Torah and "authentic unadulterated Judaism." In 1938, NKI was founded in Jerusalem to struggle against Zionism. Most of its members now live outside Israel, many in New York where they're prominent, vocal, and ignored by the dominant media.

For refusing to accept Zionism, they were harassed, incarcerated, and physically tortured by "Zionist police and agents." As a result, they scattered internationally and established synagogues, educational institutions, publishing houses and organizations espousing their beliefs.

They're orthodox, but not ultra-orthodox or extremist. They've "added nothing to nor have taken anything away from the written and oral law of the Torah as it is expressed in the Halacha (traditional Jewish law) and the Shulchan Aruch (codification of Jewish law)."

They're allied with many thousands of other Jews sharing similar anti-Zionist views. They oppose the "State of Israel (because) the entire concept of a sovereign Jewish state is contrary to Jewish law." It conflicts with traditional Judaism.

They quote Talmudic doctrine teaching that Jews are prohibited from using force to establish a Jewish state or to rebel against other nations. "Jews are not allowed to dominate, kill, harm or demean another people and are not allowed to have anything to

do with the Zionist enterprise, their political meddling and their wars."

"The true Jews remain faithful to Jewish belief and are not contaminated with Zionism. The true Jews are against dispossessing the Arabs of their land and homes. According to the Torah, the land should be returned to them....The world must know that the Zionists have illegitimately seized the name Israel and have no right to speak in the name of the Jewish people!"

NKI seeks peace and reconciliation with people of all faiths and nations. Of greatest concern is reconciling with the Muslim world after decades of Zionist abuses. They support peace, justice, and the right of Palestinian refugees to return to their homeland.

They decry Zionist propaganda, bullying tactics, censorship and lies. Its weapon is state terror. Its dogma is a profound disregard for human life and moral values. Its false idol is a "lack of truth on its side."

NKI notes how greater numbers of people now question Zionism, its version of history, and values. They blame it for massive bloodshed and suffering and believe they'll be no Middle East peace until there's no more State of Israel, at least under Zionism. They think that a coalition of anti-Zionist Jews and Palestinians can unite as a moral force for peace and good in the world. They welcome the abolition of Zionism "in a peaceful manner."

#### **"We're not celebrating Israel's anniversary"**

In a public April 30, 2008 petition, Harold Pinter was among 105 prominent Jews who said "we....will not be celebrating" Israel's May 2008 60th anniversary. They noted the 1948 slaughter and dispossession of hundreds of thousands of Palestinians, the destruction of their villages, their erasure from history, the 1967 occupation, the continued persecution for decades, the defiling of international law, and utter contempt for human rights and peaceful coexistence. They stated:

"We cannot celebrate the birthday of a state founded on terrorism, massacres and the dispossession of another people from their land. We cannot celebrate the birthday of a state that even now engages in ethnic cleansing, that violates international law, that is inflicting a monstrous collective punishment on the civilian population of Gaza and that continues to deny to Palestinians their human rights and national aspirations."

"We will celebrate when Arab and Jew live as equals in a peaceful Middle East," something impossible under Zionism.

#### **A Final Comment**

At its core, Zionism is fundamentally racist, extremist, undemocratic, and militant:

- in espousing Jewish supremacy, exceptionalism, and uniqueness as God's "chosen people;"
- in relying on occupation, oppression, violence and dispossession;
- in justifying a Jewish ethnocracy based on structural inequalities;
- in ruling by force, not coexistence; in choosing confrontation over diplomacy and the rule of law; and by denying Arabs and all others the same rights as Jews.

No ideology that destructive can endure. No regional peace and reconciliation is possible until it's repudiated.

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#### **Director, Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism, California State University, December 8, 2009**

News over the past week, regarding two undercover FBI informants, one from New Jersey, the other from California illustrate the perils posed by over-the-top informants in cases involving suspected extremists. These diverse, though far from front-page, cases come at a critical time as intelligence analysts are ratcheting up concerns about what exactly increased domestic activity by both far right wing American extremists as well as radical Muslim extremists bode for the future.

#### **Mistrial for Shock Blogger**

A mistrial was declared yesterday in Brooklyn in a federal criminal case involving former FBI informant Hal Turner, a cigar chomping Bergen County, NJ blogger and Internet radio host known for his racist and anti-Semitic views. The government alleged that Turner's violent blog statement targeting three federal judges on the U.S. Court of Appeals in Chicago who rejected cases challenging gun bans constitute a crime:

*Let me be the first to say this plainly: These judges deserve to be killed. Their blood will replenish the tree of liberty. A small price to pay to assure freedom for millions.*

*These judges deserve to be made such an example of as to send a message to the entire judiciary: Obey the Constitution or die.* He supplemented these statements with other information including photos of the judges, their business phone numbers, and maps of the courthouses that detailed the location of concrete explosion deflectors.

Turner was not just any garden variety bigot. He was exposed as an FBI informant after hackers broke into his computer and email files in 2008 and that role was a key element in his defense. Turner's scathing bigotry was amplified by his over the top showmanship at rallies, as well as the invective of his Internet website and radio shows. His slightly shrouded, yet shrill calls for violence, sometimes included the addresses of those targeted for his biting hostility. Turner was once called "highly reliable" by the feds and unique in his ability "to provide vital information" on neo-Nazis from groups like Aryan Nations and the National Alliance. He was even flown to Brazil to get information on a potential donor who was allegedly considering bankrolling American neo-Nazis.

His trial, which was expected to last weeks and include former federal prosecutor turned New Jersey Governor elect Chris Christie as a witness, concluded just days after it started. The government called only about six witnesses and the defense rested at the conclusion of the government's case. On Monday a mistrial was called after a jury leaning towards acquittal could not agree on a verdict. A retrial is scheduled for March. To add insult to injury a New York town is seeking reimbursement for tens of thousands in expenses it incurred from the FBI for a Turner rally while he was an informant.

#### **Other Internet Hate Cases**

Turner also faces charges in Connecticut state court for statements he directed against legislators there who sought reforms relating to church finance laws. Another hate webmaster, Virginian William White, who published a photo with then candidate Barack Obama in rifle crosshairs and the words "Kill this n----?", faces charges in an unrelated case involving the posting of confidential juror information in a matter involving the racist World Church of the Creator.

The United States Supreme Court has held that offensive speech is protected by the First Amendment and that the internet is among the most protected fora for speech. The court has also held that while threats and imminent incitement to criminality are punishable, crude political statements constitute protected speech. In the 1969 case *Watts v. United States*, 349 U.S. 705 (1969), the court held that an anti-war rally protestor's statement that if he were drafted "the first man I want to get in my [rifle] sights is L.B.J." was not a bona fide punishable threat.

#### **California Schemin'**

On the other side of the country, as well as the ideological spectrum, another informant induced headache bubbled up for

the feds late last week. In February, Afghan immigrant Ahmadullah Sais Niazi, a naturalized citizen, was arrested by members of the Orange County, California Joint Terrorism Task Force on five federal charges related to his non-disclosure of a familial relationship to a key aide of Osama bin Laden. Niazi's sister is married to Amin al-Haq, a terrorist identified by the government who also was allegedly bin Laden's bodyguard. These cases often make headlines at the time of indictment and then at the resolution of the matter. In Niazi's case, an unusual thing happened--the alleged informant has become as big of a story as the defendant--with neither coming out looking particularly good.

#### **Give Me That OC Religion**

Niazi and his erstwhile informant probably represent the latest disturbing entry in Orange County's Hall of Shame for religious intolerance. Much to the embarrassment of its far quieter tolerant majority, the otherwise laid back California county has been an equal opportunity employer of sorts to religious extremists of all stripes over the years. Suspected Jewish extremists, still at large, murdered an Arab-American leader in the 1980s in a Santa Ana bombing. After his disgraced public ejection from the Crystal Cathedral earlier this decade neo-Nazi William Baker, who was a top leader in the group who once hired Holocaust Museum shooter James Von Brunn, shifted his lecturing to the welcoming arms of the Council on Islamic American Relations (CAIR). More recently, uber Islamophobe Geert Wilders addressed Chapman University last Spring. Local birther Pastor Wiley Drake told a national radio audience in June that he prays for the President's death and also preaches, "If they're a Muslim, they're a danger to the country." The county is also where American al Qaeda and convert from Judaism, Adam Gadahn became radicalized and where supporters of Hezbollah, Hamas, suicide bombing and a theocratic Taliban-like Islamic American state routinely speak to applause at the local University of California campus. A fundraiser for federal felon "political prisoner" and Palestinian Islamic Jihad leader Sami al Arian leader was held by the local CAIR branch for a challenge to the rigid application of conditions surrounding his guilty plea.

#### **Not Exactly Choir Boys**

Niazi is alleged by an FBI agent as praising bin Laden as an "angel" in a recorded conversation and discussing possible terror plots with an unidentified informant. The apparent informant in the case, convicted felon Craig Monteilh has proved to have major issues and baggage of his own. Shortly after Niazi's arrest Monteilh held an independent rambling press conference where he stated that he had taped discussions of terrorist plots against local shopping malls. Perhaps seeking a new job as speechwriter for Pastor Drake, Monteilh also aired his rather hostile views about the Muslim faith in general. Monteilh's alleged investigation and previous talk of jihad resulted in members of one local mosque, including Niazi, reporting him to authorities and seeking a restraining order. Monteilh served time in prison for forgery, fraud and grand theft and was involved in scamming \$157,000 from two Orange County women he befriended in a gym.

A lawyered up Monteilh now plans to sue the FBI for \$10 million dollars. Monteilh maintains that whatever one thinks of his tarnished past or his questionable investigative efforts, he has nonetheless provided taped, though as of yet non-public, evidence of dangerous plots against large local shopping malls to authorities. A Los Angeles area court last week unsealed some vague August 2007 records that show he had probation in a theft case cut short because he gave "very, very valuable" information to the FBI. He maintains that the FBI improperly permitted him to be charged and sentenced in a criminal matter where he was hampered by an alleged non-disclosure agreement.

While the FBI never officially acknowledged that Monteilh was an informant, they released this general statement last week:

*The FBI routinely gains the cooperation from citizens, to include convicted felons, in the pursuit of justice. The FBI has an historic policy of neither confirming or denying the identity of informants; to do so would jeopardize investigations and the personal security of others.*

*Claims suggesting that FBI agents directed others to break the law or to conduct activity outside the authority granted them under the United States Constitution, are patently false. Statements suggesting that FBI agents conducted - or directed others to conduct - activity targeting individuals based on their religious beliefs - specifically those of the Islamic faith - are untrue, and unfair to the agents, as well as the American Muslim community.*

In addition to his lawsuit against the FBI, Monteilh has further eroded strained relations between the feds, CAIR and other advocacy groups. CAIR has accused the government of improperly targeting mosques for surveillance (a charge the FBI vigorously denies), while the FBI had previously cut formal ties to the group after it was designated an unindicted coconspirator in a federal criminal terrorism funding case out of Texas, that resulted in the felony conviction of a co-founder of CAIR's Texas branch.

The Niazi-Monteilh situation highlights the real tension between two credible positions. Civil libertarians rightly point that out that some investigations can and have ensnared those who are either bystanders or relative incompetents with regard to violent extremism. Conversely, intelligence analysts, who are generally not able to fax out press releases, rightly point to an undeniable disturbing trend.

Over the last year America has seen changes in both the frequency and character of violent radical Muslim based plots-

some with real connections to al Qaeda. These include a plot against American mass transit by an alleged al Qaeda trained Afghan immigrant (who was possibly tipped off by an NYPD informant codefendant), the defection of young Minnesotans to Somalia for service that included a suicide bombing, the Fort Hood murders by a disturbed radical, and arrests or convictions in North Carolina, New Jersey and New York. Just this week David Headley, an immigration consultant and one of two Chicago area men arrested in October, is being implicated by both Indian and American authorities for playing a supporting role in the November 2008 Mumbai, India terrorist attacks that killed over 160, including six Americans.

While the conduct of a couple of loose cannon informants can be a headache for the FBI and the butt of jokes, behind the scenes authorities are increasingly concerned about evolving threats from across the ideological spectrum. As DHS Secretary Napolitano said last week regarding al Qaeda sympathizers, "The fact is that home-based terrorism is here. And like violent extremism abroad, it is now part of the threat picture that we must confront." The difficulty for the feds is that some of their biggest successes are the thwarted attacks and anonymous decent informants that simply don't make the front pages, while the embarrassing informants are sometimes the loudest. I know this for a fact because many years ago an attack on an office I worked at was thwarted through the work of some anonymous government heroes I'll never know or be able to personally thank.

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## Copenhagen Climate Summit In Disarray After 'Danish Text' Leak

By John Vidal, [The Guardian](#), 08 December, 2009

**Copenhagen :** The UN Copenhagen climate talks are in disarray today after developing countries reacted furiously to leaked documents that show world leaders will next week be asked to sign an agreement that hands more power to rich countries and sidelines the UN's role in all future climate change negotiations. The document is also being interpreted by developing countries as setting unequal limits on per capita carbon emissions for developed and developing countries in 2050; meaning that people in rich countries would be permitted to emit nearly twice as much under the proposals.

The so-called Danish text, a secret draft agreement worked on by a group of individuals known as "the circle of commitment" – but understood to include the UK, US and Denmark – has only been shown to a handful of countries since it was finalised this week.

The agreement, leaked to the *Guardian*, is a departure from the Kyoto protocol's principle that rich nations, which have emitted the bulk of the CO<sub>2</sub>, should take on firm and binding commitments to reduce greenhouse gases, while poorer nations were not compelled to act. **The draft hands effective control of climate change finance to the World Bank;** would abandon the Kyoto protocol – the only legally binding treaty that the world has on emissions reductions; and would make any money to help poor countries adapt to climate change dependent on them taking a range of actions.

The document was described last night by one senior diplomat as "a very dangerous document for developing countries. It is a fundamental reworking of the UN balance of obligations. It is to be superimposed without discussion on the talks".

A confidential analysis of the text by developing countries also seen by the *Guardian* shows deep unease over details of the text. In particular, it is understood to:

- Force developing countries to agree to specific emission cuts and measures that were not part of the original UN agreement;
- Divide poor countries further by creating a new category of developing countries called "the most vulnerable";
- Weaken the UN's role in handling climate finance;

- Not allow poor countries to emit more than 1.44 tonnes of carbon per person by 2050, while allowing rich countries to emit 2.67 tonnes.

**Developing countries that have seen the text are understood to be furious that it is being promoted by rich countries without their knowledge and without discussion in the negotiations.**

**"It is being done in secret. Clearly the intention is to get [Barack] Obama and the leaders of other rich countries to muscle it through when they arrive next week. It effectively is the end of the UN process," said one diplomat, who asked to remain nameless.**

Antonio Hill, climate policy adviser for Oxfam International, said: "This is only a draft but it highlights the risk that when the big countries come together, the small ones get hurting. On every count the emission cuts need to be scaled up. It allows too many loopholes and does not suggest anything like the 40% cuts that science is saying is needed."

Hill continued: "It proposes a green fund to be run by a board but the big risk is that it will run by the World Bank and the Global Environment Facility [a partnership of 10 agencies including the World Bank and the UN Environment Programme] and not the UN. That would be a step backwards, and it tries to put constraints in developing countries when none were negotiated in earlier UN climate talks."

The text was intended by Denmark and rich countries to be a working framework, which would be adapted by countries over the next week. It is particularly inflammatory because it sidelines the UN negotiating process and suggests that rich countries are desperate for world leaders to have a text to work from when they arrive next week.

Few numbers or figures are included in the text because these would be filled in later by world leaders. However, it seeks to hold temperature rises to 2C and mentions the sum of \$10bn a year to help poor countries adapt to climate change from 2012-15.

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